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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Gopinath Chappidi

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Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

I, Narendra R Thappeta, declare as follows:

1. I am the attorney who prepared and filed (with the US Patent Office) the above-identified patent application.
2. On or around December 19 2003, I received an order from Mr. Suprio Dasgupta, Legal Counsel at Honeywell International Inc., to prepare and file the above-captioned patent application.
3. On or around December 22 2003, I met Mr. Gopinath Chappidi and received information on the technology.
4. Between December 22 2003 and February 15 2004, I reviewed the information received from the inventor, drafted the application partially and sent follow-up questions to Mr. Chappidi requiring additional information and/or clarification.
5. On or before December 22 2003, I was assigned at least 4 other matters from the same client (Honeywell International Inc.), which I had to work on in parallel between December 22 2003 and February 15 2004. I was the only attorney in my business in that duration with the competence to draft the application to the standards expected by the client, and had to personally work on all these cases (though possibly with the assistance from an engineer with limited training).

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6. Between August 2003 and November 2003, I assisted Mr. Subhasish Dasgupta in providing the relevant technical details and also with the patentability analysis of the technology of the subject patent application.

7. On or around February 27 2004, I sent a first draft of the patent application to Mr. Chappidi, as evidenced by the cover letter appended hereto as exhibit B. I believe to have received feedback from Mr. Chappidi on March 23 2004.

8. On or around March 25 2004, I sent by email a second draft of the subject patent application as evidenced by the cover letter appended hereto as Exhibit C.

9. On or around March 29 2004, I sent a finalized patent application along with the declaration document for signatures to the inventors, as evidenced by the cover letter of Exhibit D.

10. The patent application was filed on March 30, 2004 with the US Patent and Trademark Office, and assigned application serial Number 10/708,902.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Narendra R. Thappeta